

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
SOUTHERN DIVISION

RUFUS LAMAR SAVIN SPEARMAN,

Plaintiffs,

v.

MARY PARSON, ET. AL.,

Defendants.

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Case No. 18-10673

Honorable Nancy G. Edmunds

**ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF COUNSEL [27]**

Pending before the Court is Plaintiff's post-judgment motion for appointment of counsel. (ECF No. 27.) In the Sixth Circuit, parties do not have an "automatic" constitutional right to counsel in a civil suit and, typically, counsel is only appointed in an exceptional case. *Glover v. Johnson*, 75 F.3d 264, 268 (6th Cir. 1996) (observing that courts in the Sixth Circuit do not appoint counsel for indigent and pro se prisoners in civil rights cases absent truly extraordinary circumstances). The Court has carefully considered Plaintiff's request, the status and procedural posture of this case, his ability to represent himself, the record as a whole, and the issues and complexity of this case, and concludes that the appointment of counsel is not warranted because there are no exceptional circumstances to justify appointing counsel. See *Lavado v. Keohane*, 992 F.2d 601, 606 (6th Cir. 1993); *Mira v. Marshall*, 806 F.2d 636, 638 (6th Cir. 1986). Accordingly, Plaintiff's request for the Court to appoint him counsel is **DENIED**.

**SO ORDERED.**

s/Nancy G. Edmunds  
Nancy G. Edmunds

United States District Judge

Dated: October 22, 2020

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